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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 407

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Agriculture Policy
03/18/2013 Adoption of Report: Re-referred to the Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture Finance without further recommendation

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to agriculture; appropriating money for the agricultural growth, research,
1.3 and innovation program.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. **APPROPRIATION; AGRICULTURAL GROWTH, RESEARCH,**
1.6 **AND INNOVATION PROGRAM.**

1.7 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 41A.12, subdivision 3, \$2,000,000 is
1.8 appropriated from the general fund in fiscal years 2014 and 2015 for the following purposes:

- 1.9 (1) \$500,000 each year to the Agricultural Utilization Research Institute;
- 1.10 (2) \$500,000 each year to the Minnesota Agriculture Education Leadership Council
1.11 for grants to high schools that reestablish agriculture education programs;
- 1.12 (3) \$200,000 each year to the director of the Minnesota Extension Service of the
1.13 University of Minnesota for 4-H;
- 1.14 (4) \$800,000 each year to the commissioner of agriculture for grants to the following
1.15 organizations:
- 1.16 (i) \$200,000 each year to the Center for Rural Policy and Development;
- 1.17 (ii) \$200,000 each year to Farmamerica, the Minnesota agricultural interpretive
1.18 center;
- 1.19 (iii) \$200,000 each year to the Minnesota FFA Association; and
- 1.20 (iv) \$200,000 each year to the Minnesota agriculture and rural leadership program.